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THE PRIMARY BILL PASSED. SALISBURY'S RETIREMENT.

SENATOR PLLSWORTH PROPOSED TO EXTEND THE REFORM TO THE WHOLE STATE, BUT THE INDEPENDENT REPUBLICANS DID

NOT SUSTAIN HIM

TELEGRAPH TO THE THIDUNE. totced, and that was that the bill does not reform naries, which on the testimony of Senthits, himself a representative of a country district, are fully as corrupt as those of the OTHERWISE BY SATURDAY RUSSIA WILL

was evident that many members of the looked upon the bill with displeasure Raines criticised the recognition of the and been accepted. Such members of the Platt ould not vote for the measure if it con-

was that it would delay the passage of the bill, but the Legislature will not adjourn for a week and there was ample time to make the

QUEER DOINGS OF ASSEMBLYMEN. DEMOCRATS, AFTER APPARENTLY FIGHTING THE

rimary law should be universal. If it were a good from which they did not suffer.

of the house was ordered on Mr. Donlly's amendment, and it was lost by a vote of

y for the commitment of primary records custodians. As the original bill stands it this respect to cities of the first class re particularly than to others. This amendment

on the Ohio system of primaries. It was

from the no negatives for offences against that it was a protest against that of the new Primary law was also passed.

THE DEBATE IN THE SENATE. MACHINE REBURED BY TIBBUTS FOR DE-

Primary bill in the Senate to-day was opened by Senat r Lexow, who offered the amendments drawn up by the Judiciary Committee. These were of an

a compromise measure frame t by people in various part of the State, and especially it the bill is an ideal reform measure, for it is not cover the rural districts as well as the s. But it is a measure which, we believe, will

tory shall be filed with the clerk, in order that the gray make up the rolls of delegates to conven-tions make up the rolls of delegates to conven-tions. He will not be prosecuted. The roll of the rolls of delegates to conventions.

of some of the Senators about the measure found. Utlerance. Senator Ellsworth moved that the bill be recommitted to the Judiciary Committee, with

about this primary-reform business. Let the Ji-dictory Committee wipe out of the bill the optional tegarding third-class cities and villages and make it apply to rural neighborhoods. Let

THE MATTER DISCUSSED IN COUNCIL-THE DUKE

OF DEVONSHIRE WILL PROBABLY BE

We learn that the long Cabinet council Powers, mediate at Washington, which affects the cities of the State cut not the on Monday was to consider an intimation from

FOREIGN SECRETARY.

"Our news is obtained from a source usually trustworthy; but the crisis may take a few weeks to develop, the Queen being abroad. Lord Salisbury's successors are almost certain to be the Duke of Devonshire as Premier and Arthur Over one feature of the bill, or, rather, J. Balfour as Secretary of State for Foreign

CHINA MUST ACT QUICKLY.

SEIZE PORT ARTHUR AND TALIEN-WAN.

London, March 24.-The Nagasak! correspondent of "The Daily Mail" says:

"China, it is reported, refuses to acsia's pledge that the occupation of Port Arthur will not be permanent, unless the document is a sure sign or an emption and a disastrous flow of countersigned by France and Germany; but it is believed that if she does not accede to the Russian demands before Saturday next Russia intends to seize Port Arthur and Talien-Wan and to hoist the Russian flag there.

AUSTRIA AND THE LATTIMER AFFAIR.

INTERPELLATION ON THE SUBJECT IN THE DIET

March 23.-In the lower house of Thun-Hohenstein, the President Lattimer, on September 10 last.

FIGHTING IN THE SOUDAN.

THE BRITISH AND DERVISHES.

wounded. No British officers were wounded.

peared a few miles from here on Tuesday morning. was met by a squadron of cavalry and a force of Soudanese, who drove off the Dervishes with considerable loss, following them some miles be-

chopted by a vote of 77 to 62.

Wright offered as a substitute his own bill QUEEN'S SURGEON SEES MR. GLADSTONE.

it made applicable to the entire State. In a specific the state of this resolution Mr. Dounelly said the bill, as just of his resolution Mr. Dounelly said the bill, as just for information on the subject. The surgeon confirmed the report that Mr. Gladstone was suffering intense pain and was very ill. He added that on the motion to recommit Mr. Nixon moved a Mr. Gladstone would regard it as the greatest kind-

VANCE IN SOROTO.

London, March 23.—It was reported in the lobby of the House of Commons this evening that France had finally admitted the accuracy of the John 19. Archbold H. H. Rozers, W. H. Tilfard, A. M. McGregor, Paul Enboock and C. M. Pratt. news of the French advance in Sokoto, West Central Africa, last month, which had been for-

sion of regret.

would always receive the same treatment as the

CRISPI ESCAPES WITH CENSURE.

Form the primaries in the cities. It probably has care in the primaries in the cities. It probably has been a voice of 207 to 7 the committee's report recommending "political censure" aminst of the cities that in counties containing territory outer of tiles, the records of primaries of that territory of the files, the records of primaries of that territory may make up the folls of delegates to convenience up the folls of delegates to convenience. The chamber of Deputies to day adopted by a voice of 207 to 7 the committee's report recommending "political censure" aminst former Premier Class, who has been accused of the was a large frame manor house, and was purchased from the Robert Coburt mark, and was built about one hundred years ago. It was a large frame manor house, and was purchased from the Robert Coburt of St. Paul's the Rev. W. S. Coffey, lias not lived in the house for some years, but it was occupied by Jahn O'Conner and his family.

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The resolution of Signor Royan-mans, favoring arraignment, was thereupon rejected by a show of arrange Signor Crisis after a seatence from the Court of Cassarion, but could not be introduced by the Court of Cassarion, but could not bilimize a prosecution, and thereby forestall judicial procedure.

The resolution of Signor Royaneeday, favoring arrangement, was thereupon rejected by a show of hands.

Another resolution, declaring that the facts found in the investigating committees report were common-law offences, and proposing that the accurations should be referred to the indicated authorities, was also rejected by a vote of its against 106.

The report of the committee was then adopted.

CASE OF THE PLAGUE IN ARABIA.

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CASE OF THE PLAGUE IN ARABIA. Jiddah, Arabia, March 23.—It is officially announced that a suspicious case, believed to be sickness caused by the plague, has been discovered semile to day. Because of the continued ill health nounced that a suspicious case, believed to be sickness caused by the plague, has been discovered here. The plaguage to Mecca has just begun.

the set be so sweeping that never again shall we hear the cry of primary-election frainds. If we adopt every amendment, no opportunity will be given to those who seek to find fault with the organization of their party to cry out after they

SPAIN APPEALS TO FRANCE.

WILL MEDIATE FOR HER IN WASHINGTON.

ent of "The Standard" says:

"I am credibly informed that Spain has informally inquired at Paris whether France, as largest creditor and traditional friend, would, either alone or in conjunction with other whether it is possible to place a spanish loan in

SAGASTA UPHOLDS BLANCO. THE CAPTAIN GENERAL'S DENIAL OF A DYNA-

MITE STORY APPROVED. Madrid, March 23.-Senor Sagasta, the Prem-

fer, is quoted in an interview as saying: The Government entirely approves of Cap tain-General Blanco's conduct in denying that the Maine's magazines were blown up with dynamite, as the Americans have alleged."

SMOKE RISING FROM MAUNA LOA.

SIGNS THAT RETOKEN ANOTHER ERUPTION OF HAWAII'S LOFTY VOLCANO.

Honolulu, March 15 (Special).-For the first time fourteen years smoke may be seen rising from the Island of Hawall, and experts say that this to

craters. They say that Kilanea's activity has

CORONER'S JURY CENSURES OWNERS,

FAULTY CONSTRUCTION

men killed and eight men wounded. The patrol re- HUSBAND AND WIFE BURIED TOGETHER. | morrow afternoon in memory of Senator Harris,

COULD NOT BE COMFORTED AFTER HER DEATH AND EXPIRED A DAY LATER.

erg Place, Tarrytown, on Monday afternoon, after

THE AGED STATESMAN SUFFERING INTENSE STANDARD OIL TO EXTEND BUSINESS.

ALBANY.

In the motion to recommit Mr. Nixon moved a lof the House. Mr. Roche made the point that a could not be done, as the other motion had delease. The Speaker ruled the point well isn. The motion to recommit was then put and it is in the initial and it is in the manufacture of such that he understood the majority leader that he understood in a similar but of engaged in the manufacture of such sale and packages, raid husiness of buying selling to be done in all countries in which kets may be found also the purchasing, acquired that he understood the majority leader to selling to be done in all countries in which mar-kets may be found; also the purchasing, acquiring.

Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, to-day introduced in the Senate a resolution declaring it to be the holding and disposing of the stocks, bonds and

merly denied.

It is understood that the admission was accompanied by explanations and by an expression of recreit.

Standard Oil Company was not coing to engage in new lines of business, but intended to extend its business on its on lines.

Washington, March 23.—The Senate Commit-

Helena, Mont., March 23. The Supreme Court FIRE ON THE H. H. MEIER AT SEA.

Bremen, March 25.—The North German Lloyd steamer H. H. Meier, Capialn Siecneken, which has arrived note, from New-York on March 10, reports that fire broke out in hold No. 3 during the voyage.

The flames were extinguished, and the care

AN OLD LANDMARK DESTROYED. The rectory of St. Paul's Episcopai Church, in the Boston Post Road, in East Chester, was burned yesterday morning. The building was an old land.

STRIKE ON THE ISTHMUS ENDED.

Colon, Colombia, March 25-A general order of the Fanama Rullroad Company affering an increase in the wages of the railroad table.

FRAMING A PLAN OF ACTION MAINE REPORT DUE TO-NIGHT. IMPORTANT NAVAL ORDERS

NOT ONE VOTE CAST AGAINST IT IN WISHES TO RESIGN BOTH HIS HIGH ASKING HER LARGEST CREDITOR IF SHE IMPORTANT CONFERENCES HELD AT NO CHANGE IN THE PLAN FOR SENDING THE WHITE HOUSE.

> London, March 24.-A Vienna correspond- LEADERS OF BOTH PARTIES IN CONGETSS CON-SULTED BY THE PRESIDENT-ASSURANCES

GIVEN THAT HIS POLICY IN DEALING

BE HEARTILY SUPPORTED

Washington, March 23.-While the report of the Board's findings which will commend itself have been almost as many Democrats as Repubthe minority side in the Senate; Messrs, Morgan, Gray and Turple, all prominent Democratic members of the Foreign Relations Committee, Aldrich and Foraker, Speaker Reed and Representatives Grosvenor and Hitt. The chief anxlety of the Administration is to prevent any premature or hasty legislative action or any violent utbreak of feeling in the two houses next week, when the report and the evidence accompanying

decided on any definite plan of action, and his ment of the Cuban question. His natural desire is, therefore, to restrain the arder of Congress within the bounds prescribed by his own policy. and to enlist the support of both branches in working out his own scheme of remedying the

That the full and free conferences held by the President with the leaders of both parties in guidance for the present in the conduct of this ountry's vexed and tangled relations with ises of the Wabash-ave, fire, in Spain. Since the destruction of the Maine the tion which have affected this country's attitude give the President's policy its continued and ordial support. After listening to speeches to of Tennessee, the Senate will probably adjourn until Monday, when it will reassemble, ready to receive from the President the findings of the

SENATOR GALLINGER'S SPEECH.

The chief incident of to-day's session was the delivery of Senator Gallinger's promised speech Havana and Matanzas. The New-Hampshire of the non-combatant population of Cuba, now new. But at the close of his speech the New- G. M. Helm. political conditions in Cuca justified its | East Coast Railway for Washington. lards and the establishment of a Cuban republic. Senator Thurston has announced that he will

speak to-morrow on the same topic, and his conclusions are expected to agree with Senator Galpolicy of the United States to maintain peace so long as that could be done consistently with

comments, however, on this somewhat pragate passed the House bill for the relief of the sufferers by the explosion of the Maine without division and without debate.

tee on Fereign Relations did not transact any business at its meeting to-day, but informally discussed the Cuban situation. In fact the in-Berlin, March 21—In the Reichstag to-day, in the discussion of the Navy bill, only the Socialists, Guelphs, Poles, German People's party and a minority of the Centrists opposed the bill. Count Radzwill justified the attifude of the Poles on the ground that it was a protest against that of the Prussian Government, which had declared war against the Poles.

Count Posadowski, Minister of the Interior, defended the policy of the Government, which he said, was not directed toward Germanizing the Government to maintain and strengthen the conomic and political position of the Germans and nomic and political position of the Germans and nomic and political position of the Germans and strengthen the continued.

The Poles he continued.

STATE SEVATES SECRETARY IN JAIL. terest in Cuba at the present time is such as to

It was the opinion, however, that the evitable tendency was toward a rupture with Spain and that the position of the United States was becoming stronger and stronger every day. The committee is aware that the Maine disaster will be treated as a separate and distinct incident for the present. There was some discussion as to what would be done with the report of the Board of Inquiry when it reaches report of the Board of Inquity when it reaches the Senate, and it is probable that a motion will be made to refer it immediately to the Committee on Foreign Relations. It is known that the Naval Committee will seek jurisdiction of the report, and will contest the right of the Foreign Relations Committee to a matter involving the loss of a battle-ship on which the Naval Board has made a report. The Foreign Relations Committee is confident, however, that the Senate will consider that the Maine disaster involves foreign questions which make it properly the right of that committee to consider the surject. Members of the Naval Committee will claim that, the Senate having authorized it to investigate the Maine disaster, that committee should have the report of the Naval Board referred to it as a matter of courtesy, as well as right.

An effort will be made, however, to adjust the whole matter by the time the report arrives, so that no debate will occur until after a committee has considered the report.

BIDS FOR EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS OPENED AT THE NAVY DEPARTMENT Washington, March 23.-The Navy Department

opened bids to-day for extensive improvements at Dry Tortugus and Key West, a formal transfer

having been effected as regards Tortugas, which passes from the Treasury to the War Department. The improvements consist of two solid steel piers to be constructed at Dry Tortugas, with two extensive coal sheds and an elaborate mechanical equipment for loading naval vessels with coal. At Key West the improvements consist of a steel pier and two coal sheds with similar machinery for loading warships with coal. The bids ranged from 11,151,000 for the entire work down to about \$40,000.

TO THE DISASTER IN HAVANA HARBOR-THE CUBAN QUESTION TO BE

DEALT WITH LATER.

Washington March 23.-The feeling was unireal throughout official circles to-day that the the Maine Board of Inquiry is still on its way | hand. With the report of the Maine Court of to Washington, the President and his advisers | Inquiry only a little way off, with the White ences between the President and the party

Among the President's callers were Senators Cockrell, Turple and Foraker, General Daniel issued to-day. The Navy Departs E. Sickles, formerly United States Minister to Madrid, and Representative William Alden Smith, of Michigan, who has recently returned from a trip to Cuba. Secretaries Long and Alger also conferred with the President during the

Secretary Long said later that the Maine report probably would reach Washington to-morrow night. If, however, it did not come before probably would not receive it until Friday morning, when it would be laid before the President nimediately. The Secretary did not think the President would give the document any conideration at a late hour. It was more probable, he thought, if Lieutenant-Commander Marix he report to a hotel for the night.

There has been no change in the plan ever, that the message will relate exclusively to the Maine disaster. It will not take up the fearful condition of affairs in Cuba as shown by the reports of United States Consuls, this being reserved for subsequent action and a later mes-

A RELIEF APPROPRIATION SUGGESTED. The suggestion made in the Senate Committee on Appropriations to-day for an appropriation to relieve the destitute Cubans is one of the the President and Senators Allison and Gorman. private subscriptions. No doubt is expressed

vision should be accompanied by a declaration the Cubans, but the indications are that this will not be attempted unless such a recognition should be recommended by the President.

BRINGING THE REPORT NORTHWARD. LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER MARIX AND HIS PARTY REACH AND LEAVE MIAMI

ON THEIR JOURNEY. Miami, Fla., March 23.-Lieutenant-Commander Marix, of the Court of Inquiry, with the following party arrived here this morning from surrounding territory. Like Senator Proctor, he | C. W. Junger, Passed Assistant Engineer F. A. dealt with the situation in Cuba from a hu- Bower, Cadets Amon Bronson and F. Boyd, manitarian rather than a political point of Assistant Engineer J. R. Morris and Carpenter

A few minutes later they left Miami by the

Jacksonville, Fla., March 23.-Lieutenant-Commander Marix, bearing to Washington the via the Florida Central and Peninsular and Southern railroads, and will reach Washington at 9:25 p. m. Thursday night. The railroad wires have carried the message down the line to use all dispatch. This practically makes a special of the Marix train, and without acci-

dent Washington will be reached on the dot. During the short time of the stay in this city an Associated Press reporter showed Lieutenant Marix a dispatch from Miami that appeared in the afternoon papers, in which he was quoted as saying, "It looks like war; it certainly does." He exclaimed, "It is utterly false, I have said nothing of the kind. I don't talk about this

All efforts to get him to make any expression

All entoris to get him to make any expression of opinion were futile. Other members of the party were equally non-committal.

During the transfer from one train to the other Lieutenant Marix was closely guarded by the members of his party. He walked between two of his friends, carrying a dispatch-box covered with black cloth. Benind him the officers of his party walked closely. They walked rapidly and did not stop to seek to any one until they were not stop to speak to any one until they were

safely in the car. GALLANT FEAT OF ENSIGN SPEAR. HE LEAPS OVERBOARD FROM THE MONTGOMERY

on the part of a young Naval officer became | to any operations against the Philippine Islands generally known to-day. Ensign Roscoe Spear, in case of actual hostilities. Her light draught, of the Montgomery, now lying in the harbor, which is only fourteen feet, enables her to enjumped overboard late the other night in re- ter harbors where none of the regular warships sponse to the cry of "Man overboard" He was | could go. Her armament is similar to that of n full uniform, but after a few minutes found the Manning, and she has the same torpedo the luckless sailor, who was unable to swim, arrangement. and was being rapidly borne away from the

ship.

After a hard struggle young Spear brought the almost lifeless man back to the Montgomery, and both were hauled in more dead than alive. It took several hours to revive the plucky officer; but the incident goes to show the kind of stock the American Navy is made of. Ensign Roscoe Spear comes from Norristown, Penn.

PROJECTILE CONTRACTS AWARDED. SHOT AND SHELL FOR THE SEACOAST FORTIFICA-TIONS.

Washington, March 21.-The Bureau of Ordnance to-day awarded contracts for supplying about six-teen hundred cast-iron projection for seacoast fortifications. As rapidly as completed they will needed. Two Virginia companies secured the con-tracts, the Petersburg Iron Works and the Tredegar Company, of Richmond, the awards being dis-tributed as follows 187 he in h solid shot and 145-12-inch mortar shells, the latter of 80 pounds each, to the Petersburg company, and 185 of the 12-theh mortar shells of 800 pounds each and 500 12-inch mortar shells of 1,000 pounds each to the Tredegar Company.

Company.

Reading, Penn. March 21. The Carpenter Steel.

Works to-day shipped 200 4-inch and 200 3-inch projectiles in response to an order from Washington directing that all shells ready for delivery be sent at once.

NEW-ORLEANS TAKING ON AMMUNITION. Gravesend, England, March 21.-The United States cruiser New-Orleans (formerly the Amazonas) started for Hole Haven at 11 o'clock this morning

PRICE THREE CENTS.

THE TERROR AND THE PURITAN TO

JOIN ADMIRAL SICARD'S FLEET.

THE OLD. MONITORS CALLED INTO ACTIVE SER VICE-ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR TRANS

FERRING TWENTY-TWO REVENUE

CUTTERS TO THE NAVY.

Washington, March 23 .- Certain changes or dered to-day by the Navy Department in the tive of the increasing gravity of the crisis nov fleet and ordered them north to Hampton for "purely strategical reasons." chusetts and the Texas, and have the advantage besides of being able to operate in much shallower waters. The Puritan has just been put in complete repair at the Norfolk Navy Yard, and

To supply the gaps in coast and harbor de fence lines made by the transfer of the Puritan has decided to call into active service Two of them, the Catskill and the Lehigh, are to the Jason and the Nahant, are to replace the

is lying in Hampton Roads, while the Terror is

THE OLD MONITORS TO BE UTILIZED

It is probable that the Naval Reserves of of the States will be called on to man in paravailable supply of men. The single-turreted monitors are considered capable of blocking the entrance into a port of any armed opponent be low the rating of a battle-ship.

A BIG REINFORCEMENT FOR THE NAVY. Most of these are effective modern cruisers, al ready in active service, armed and manned with well-drilled crews and capable of rendering good officers, and with additional guns will con naval defence along the coast. At least five o gunboats of the regular Navy. They were built with the special end in view of being used for naval purposes, and three of them are in actual service, while the other two will be ready for duty in the next two weeks.

Captain Charles F. Shoemaker, chief of the Treasury Division of the Revenue Cutter Ser-Navy with Assistant Secretary Roosevelt this morning in accordance with a decision reached at vesterday's Cabinet meeting. The Revenue Cutter Division, for the prevention cale and steam launches but all the important vessels, with 124 line officers and seventy-four findings of the Maine Court of Inquiry, reached engineers, will be transferred to the Navy. The this city at 7:45 to-night and left at S o'clock change, which may be made in a few days, requires only a Presidential order to make it effective, under the authority of the following

> provision of the Revised Statutes: provision of the Revised Statues.
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> Sec. 2.707. The revenue cutters shall, whenever the President so directs, co-operate with the Navy, during which time they shall be under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy and the expenses thereof shall be defrayed by the Navy Department. SOME USEFUL VESSELS.

The most important of these vessels on the Atlantic coast is the Manning, attached to the Boston district. She is good for seventeen and a half knots, and could be fitted up for a firstclass gunboat in a few days. Her only armament at present is one 6-pounder rapid-fire gun. but her decks are fitted for five 4-inch rapidfire guns. She is also fitted with a bow torpedotube for launching automobile torpedoes. For fitting her for naval service all that is necessary is to take her to the Boston Navy Yard and mount four guns and three or four additional 6-pounders, and she will be ready for any duty that may be assigned to her, with her

officers and crew already on board. Another of these new first-rate vessels is the McCulloch, now on her way to the Pacific coast, having passed through the Suez Canal the first of this month. She will arrive at Hong Kong within a week and join the Asiatic Squadron, un-

is a duplicate of the Manning, and plans for bringing her to the Atlantic through the Welland Canal are already perfected. She is ready to start for Buffalo at an instant's notice, and could appear on the New-England coast in two weeks.

Other new cruisers are the Algonquin and the Onondaga, which have never been in service, but are practically completed at Cleveland Ohio, whence they could start for salt water in a week or ten days. They are the most powerful vessels of the revenue service, and are each equipped with two torpedo tubes. They are pre-pared for heavy batteries of rapid-fire rifles, and the machine gun installation is of the highest

the machine gun installation is of the highest modern type.

The Windom, on the Baltimore station, was built in 1885, and, although a speedy twin-screw steamer, has no torpedo tubes, and is smaller than those already mentioned. She could carry at least one 4-inch rapid-fire rifle in addition to the one distourder and two 3 link violations.

at least one 4-inch rapid-fire rifle in addition to the one 6-pounder and two 3-inch rifled howitzers with which she is now armed.

The other serviceable revenue vessels now on the Atlantic ceast contemplated as naval auxiliaries are the Woodbury, at Portland, Me; the Dallas, at Boston, the Dexter, at New-Bedford; the Hamilton, at Philadelphia, the Morrill, at Wilmington, N. C; the McLane, at Key West; the Galveston, at Galveston; the Forward, at Mobile, the Colfax, at Charleston; the Boutwell, at Savannah, and the Winona, at Newberne, N. C. The three vessels might be placed out of commission and their experienced officers and crews assigned to the smaller naval gunboats.

The rank of revenue-cutter officers when called